

# DEPT 12 – POULTRY

**Tuesday, July 18 8:00 A.M.**

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Judging Time: 8:00 a.m. – Tuesday, July 18

Pullorum Testing / Check-in Time: 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Saturday, July 15

Market Poultry Interviews: 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. – Sunday, July 16

Auction Time: 4:00 p.m. – Wednesday, July 19

Release Time: 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. – Saturday, July 23

Market Pictures: Sunday, 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

## General Poultry Rules

1. All poultry exhibitors must read and follow the Small Animal Exhibit Rules.
2. A **Mandatory Poultry Meeting** will be held prior to the show.
3. Michigan Department of Agriculture (MDA) requires **all** poultry (except waterfowl, pigeons, and doves) to originate from pullorum-typhoid clean flock or have a negative official test within 90 days before fair. **Proof of Negative Pullorum Test must be shown at check-in.** Exhibitors are encouraged to have their birds tested before they arrive at the fair. Birds that arrive untested at check-in will be tested in a designated area outside the poultry barn.
4. No exhibit is to be placed in the building until it has been examined by the Superintendent or representative. Per MDA health rules, All Birds Must be free of Disease, MITES and LICE. Birds with parasites and/or symptoms of disease will be sent home.
5. All Birds must come into the barn *clean* on entry day. Dirty, unhealthy, unthrifty, underweight, and overweight birds will not be allowed to enter and will be sent home.
6. Each exhibitor is required to show in showmanship *and* in at least one of the production, market or exhibition classes.
7. Dress clothes are required for the show and the auction. Long sleeved white shirt and black pants.
8. Twice daily cleaning, feeding, and watering are the responsibilities of the exhibitor. Exhibitors are responsible for their own feed and bedding.
9. *All Market Poultry are required to submit a Market Record Sheet and W-9 by 2:00 pm on Sunday, July 18<sup>th</sup> to be eligible to auction market birds. Egg class will be required to submit an egg notebook.* Forms are available at the extension office or on-line at [www.vanburenyouthfair.com](http://www.vanburenyouthfair.com).
10. Exhibitors are required to sign assist with barn clean-up on Sunday morning. Failure to do so will result in forfeiture of premiums.
11. Market Poultry must be loaded by the exhibitor or representative. A \$5 per pen fee will be deducted from auction check if not present.
12. Market Poultry Interviews are mandatory. If an interview is not completed, the exhibitor will not receive their premium. Completed Market Records can be turned in at this time.
13. No poultry that have been vaccinated against Infectious Laryngotracheitis (ILT) will be allowed to exhibit at fair. Check with producer and ask for paperwork if buying chicks.
14. No shipping or transporting crates or cages will be allowed to be stored in the barn or exhibition area.

## DIVISION I – POULTRY

### Section a – POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP

1. Exhibitor may enter only **one** showmanship class.
2. Showmanship will follow Michigan State 4-H Fitting & Showing Guidelines.
3. Exhibitor must use their own bird.
4. Show clothes and close toe shoes must be worn.
5. Exhibitors in the following classes will receive 1-5 placings and 1<sup>st</sup> place exhibitors will receive a trophy.
6. Junior Showman winners (254 & 258) and Senior Showman winners (255 & 259) advance to Small Animal Showmanship Sweepstakes.

Class 250 – Pee Wee I Chicken Showman (6 to young 7 (born 7/1 to 12/31) years of age).

Class 251 – Pee Wee II Chicken Showman (older 7 (born 1/1 to 6/30) to 8 years of age).

Class 252 – Young I Chicken Showman (9-10)

Class 253 – Young II Chicken Showman (11-12)

Class 254 – Junior Chicken Showman (13-14)

Class 255 – Senior Chicken Showman (15-19)

Class 256 – Pee Wee Other Poultry Showman (6-8)

Class 257 – Young Other Poultry Showman (9-12)

Class 258 – Junior Other Poultry Showman (13-14)

Class 259 – Senior Other Poultry Showman (15-19)

### Section b – EGG PRODUCTION

Premium A (3.00) B (2.50) C (2.00)

1. Shown in pairs and pair must be the same breed.
2. Laying chickens judged mainly on health, color of skin, comb color, distance between pin bones, and uniformity.
3. Pullets must be 3 months old and fully feathered.
4. Exhibitors in the following classes will receive A, B, C ratings and 1-5 placing ribbons. Grand and Reserve will receive trophies and Rosettes.

Class 260 – Pair of Pullets (Hatched current year)

Class 261 – Pair of Hens (Hatched prior years)

Class 262 – Grand and Reserve Champion Production

### Section c – MARKET POULTRY

1. A market record must be completed for each market class entered.
2. All market poultry must be banded.
3. Weight class will be determined when birds are weighed in at check in. Intended classes must be entered on Registration forms.
4. An Exhibitor may enter in only **two** market species.
5. Judged mainly on conformation, finish, and uniformity.
6. Exhibitors in the following classes will receive 1-5 placing ribbons. Grand and Reserve Grand will receive trophies and Rosettes.

### Commercial Market Poultry

Any commercially (crossbred or genetically altered) designed market chickens and turkeys (White and Bronze Breasted). All Commercial poultry must be hatched after January 1st of the current year.

### Market Chickens

Class 263 - Pen of 3 Chickens (Broilers 3.5–6 lbs. ea.) **OR**

Class 264– Pen of 3 Chickens (Roaster 6.1-15 lbs. ea.)

Class 265- Grand & Reserve Champion Market Chicken

### **Market Turkeys**

- Class 266- Pen of 2 Turkeys (min.weight 14 lbs. each)
- Class 267- Grand & Reserve Champion Market Turkey

### **Market Ducks**

- Class 271- Pen of 3 Ducks (min. weight 5 lbs. each)
- Class 272- Pen of 2 Geese (min. weight 10 lbs. each)
- Class 273- Grand & Res. Champion Market Waterfowl

### **Section d – EXHIBITION POULTRY**

Premium A (3.00) B (2.50) C (2.00)

1. Classes will be judged according to the **American Poultry Association Standard of Perfection Guidelines.**
2. Must be at least 3 months of age and fully feathered.
3. Exhibitors in the following classes will receive A, B, C ratings and 1-5 placing ribbons. Grand and Reserve will receive trophies and Rosettes.

#### **Standard Chicken**

May only show in **one** Male Standard class *and/or* **one** Female Standard class

- Class 274 – Cockerel (male less than 1 year) **OR**
- Class 275 – Cock (male 1 year and over)
- Class 276 – Pullet (female less than 1 year) **OR**
- Class 277 – Hen (female 1 year and over)

#### **Bantam Chicken**

May only show in **one** Male Bantam class *and/or* **one** Female Bantam class.

- Class 278 - Cockerel (male less than 1 year) **OR**
- Class 279 - Cock (male 1 year and over)
- Class 280 - Pullet (female less than 1 year) **OR**
- Class 281 – Hen (female 1 year and over)
- Class 282 – Grand & Reserve Overall Male Chicken
- Class 283 – Grand & Reserve Overall Female Chicken

#### **Waterfowl**

- Class 284 – Drake (male)
- Class 285 – Duck (female)
- Class 286 – Gander (male)
- Class 287 – Goose (female)
- Class 288 – Grand & Reserve Male Waterfowl
- Class 289 – Grand & Reserve Female Waterfowl

#### **Turkey**

- Class 290 – Turkey (male)
- Class 291 – Turkey (female)
- Class 292 – Grand & Reserve Exhibition Turkey

### **Section e – MARKETING A DOZEN EGGS**

Class 293 Premium A (2.00) B (1.75) C (1.50)

1. Exhibitors are limited to one dozen and must be exhibiting a poultry project.
2. A Notebook is required and to be submitted with the eggs on show day.
3. Each entry will be judged on the consistency of color, shape and size of eggs, and the quality and effectiveness of notebook and egg presentation.
4. 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> place exhibitors will receive Champion & Reserve Champion Trophies and Rosettes.
5. Grand and Reserve Eggs will be auctioned at the start of the poultry sale.

### **Section f – MARKET POULTRY INTERVIEW**

Premium A (3.00) B (2.50) C (2.00)

- Class 294 – Pee Wee (6-8)
- Class 295 - Young (9-12)
- Class 296 – Junior (13-14)
- Class 297 – Senior (15-19)

### **POULTRY RECORD BOOK CONTEST**

To recognize outstanding achievement in record keeping for the poultry project.

Adam's Funeral Home in Paw Paw will present awards to the top exhibitor in the following divisions:

Pee Wee	(6-8)	Beginner	(9-12)
Intermediate	(13-14)	Advanced	(15-19)

Exhibitors will receive A, B, C ratings.

First place winners in each division will receive a \$15.00 monetary prize. Record books will be judged on completeness, accuracy and neatness. Winners will be announced at the Small Animal Awards Ceremony. Record books are available from the Extension Office and must be turned in to the Superintendent at check-in.